

UNITED PRESS.

By Telegraph
3.30 O'CLOCK.

REED'S DESIRES.

The Speaker Wants Expedition
in Contested Election Cases.WILL PROBABLY APPOINT
TWO ELECTION COMMIT-
TEES AND HOPES INVESTI-
GATORS WILL BE
FREE FROM PAR-
TISAN BIAS.Young Hurd's Father Murdered
SUPPOSED HE DID IT.A Vermont Jury's Endurance.
DISAGREE AFTER 69 HOURS.

CONTESTED ELECTION CASES.

Speaker Reed's Attitude to the cases and
His Non-Partisan Spirit.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 7.—So far as Speaker Reed's influence goes, the conclusions reached in the contested election cases now before the house will be based on the law and evidence and without regard to partisan considerations. Upwards of fifty members of the house have applied for assignment to the election committee and many of these gentlemen have preferred their request personally. Mr. Reed has repeatedly sought from these applicants an expression of opinion as to the spirit in which their work would be undertaken in the event that they should be placed upon the committee. To those whom he has talked with he has expressed a desire that the work should be expedited in view of the very considerable expense which would accrue to the government from detaining a settlement of the cases. He has also emphasized his desire that the committee and conclusions shall be wholly free from political bias and that each contest shall be settled strictly upon its merits. There is now apparently little doubt that two election committees will be formed in order to facilitate matters and it is among the strong probabilities, so far as any one can anticipate Speaker Reed's actions, that the chairman of the two committees will be Messrs. Daniels of New York and McCall of Massachusetts.

HIS FATHER MURDERED.

And Young Hurd Suspected of the Crime,
Circumstantial Evidence.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]
BIDDEFORD, Me., Dec. 7.—James N. Hurd, carpenter, 72 years of age, was murdered this morning at his home on Oak street. Hurd, his wife and son, Fred, aged 23 years, lived together. The son is suspected of having killed his father and there is much evidence to strengthen the theory. Information of the old man's death was carried to the police by young Hurd, who appeared very calm. He first said his father committed suicide and later declared it looked like murder. The victim was found lying on his back in bed, undressed with a bad wound on the right side of the head, evidently inflicted by a blunt weapon. There was blood on the bed clothing and door and blood spots were also found on a mat in the son's room. A bloody hatchet was discovered in a closet over the stairs. Mrs. Hurd, who is prostrated by the shock, disclaims any knowledge of the murder. She says her son has been acting strangely of late and she considers him insane. There had been no trouble in the family, but the father had been urging the son to find some work. Young Hurd is a telegraph operator.

VERMONT ENDURANCE.

The Jury in the Miller Liquor Case Out
Sixty-nine Hours and Disagrees.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]
MONTPELIER, Vt., Dec. 7.—The jury after being out sixty-nine hours in the William Miller liquor case reported this morning, still disagreed and were discharged by Judge Thompson. The case is a test case to see whether the two percent small beer sold all over the state conflicted with the prohibitory statute in being a malt extract. Experts testified on both sides and the result was widely watched for. The jury, which was short one man, is understood to have stood nine to two for acquittal. The case goes over and will be tried again unless not pressed.

INDIAN SUSPECTS CAPTURED.

Commissioner Browning Does Not Believe
the Prisoners are the Murderers.

[Special dispatch to the Transcript.]
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 7.—Indian Commissioner Browning today received the following telegram from Acting Agent Cheeseman at San Carlos, Indian Reservation: "The six Indians from Moreys camp,

removed to have done the killing are now at the agency, brought in by Tuttle and the police. Their ponies are loaded down with nine deer. We will take description of the ponies and arms for future reference, but I am satisfied that the Indians are all right." Agent Myer of San Carlos reservation was in Washington and started for the agency as soon as he heard of the trouble there. Commissioner Browning says he is confident that if the settlers were killed by Indians it was done by Apache renegades and that there will be no uprising of Indians.

BROOKFIELD BANK WEAK.

No Irregularities But a Lack of Deposits
Because of Dulness.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]
BOSTON, Dec. 7.—Assistant Attorney General Travis and Savings Bank Commissioner Treffry today applied in the superior court for an injunction and receiver in case of the Brookfield savings bank of Brookfield, this state. The court issued an order of the notice returnable December 12. The bank started in 1872. The assets are about \$4,800; liabilities about the same. It is believed the depositors will be paid in full. There are no irregularities, but the institution has simply rusted out. The people of the town have not had much work of late and the deposits have shrunk during the year.

INCREASING ITS CAPITAL.

American Tobacco Company Will Not Pay
Dividends on Common Stock.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]
NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—The directors of the American Tobacco company today issued notice to its stockholders announcing that the quarterly dividend on common stock will not be paid in February, but the sum required for that dividend will instead be applied to the increasing capital of the company.

SEVENTEEN COUNTS.

Serious Indictment Against Chaffey for
Receiving Stolen Goods.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]
BOSTON, Dec. 7.—The grand jury today returned an indictment containing seventeen counts against James H. Chaffey, charging him with receiving stolen goods to the value of \$11,022. Chaffey is said to have received all manner of articles that were stolen by the notorious burglar, William Barrett, now serving a life sentence in Charleston state prison for murder.

REASSURING CABLE.

Adabascir Missionary Station All Right.
Communication Uninterrupted.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]
BOSTON, Dec. 7.—The following cablegram was received today at the office of the American board. Adabascir, ladies well; communication uninterrupted. The missionary force at this station consists of Miss Laura Farnham of New Castle, Me., Miss Marion Sheldon of West Newton, Miss Susan C. Hyde of Norwich, Conn.

BURNED TO DEATH.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]
HAVERHILL, Dec. 7.—Mrs. Louis Gale who lived on Marion street, while alone in her house this forenoon, fell on a hot stove this forenoon and was burned to death. She was seventy-eight years old.

TURFMAN DEAD.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]
NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—Dr. Gideon L. Knapp, a well known turfman, died this morning after a month's illness with typhoid fever.

Florida Music a Failure.
Until some recent discoveries by Professor Saussier of Vevey, Switzerland, it was not suspected that fishes were affected by music. In a shallow inlet Professor Saussier found a queer arrangement of strings in the water which demanded examination. Viewing the affair from a distance with a water telescope he saw that some fishes, which had, by the usual painful method, gained possession of several fragments of fishbone, were passing them around two sticks thrust into the water by some fisherman. When the strings were struck, the stakes were wedged apart by piling stones between them so to tighten the strings, three or four fishes rolling a stone along to bottom with their noses. The operation was necessarily slow. The professor watched it at intervals for two or three days.

Finally, when all was ready, the largest fish seized a stick or bone, and, using it as a plectrum, twanged the strings with it, while the other fishes gathered around to hear the music. Of course, there was none, as the submerged strings refused to sound. After several trials the fishes tore up their water harp in disgust. They had probably caught their idea from Aimee Saussier, the professor's daughter, who was in the habit of playing a harp by the bank.

An Even Thing.

"My friend," he said in the soft tremolo which bespeaks the mendicant, "I'm in hard luck."
The man whom he was endeavoring to touch only walked the faster.
"I'm hungry and sleepy and I ain't got a thing ter eat nor any place ter lay my head."
"I haven't anything for you. I've heard all that before."
"Heard it before? Why, look 'ere, mister, this ain't no prize contest for originality. And if it is, you ain't got none the best of 'em." He went on, slackening his pace, and dropping behind.
"I've heard what you said before 'bout eleven thousand times at the lowest calculation."—Washington Star.

FINANCIAL.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—The announcement contemplated passing of the regular dividend of tobacco was a severe shock to all who were interested in the stock.

It shows that there must have been some truth in the current reports that some of the insiders in it were in league with the bears and had kept the price steady until they had got rid of their holdings and taken to the other side.

The stock opened wild this morning. Holders tried to get rid of their stock at any price, which caused sales at the opening to range from seventy-five to seventy-nine points below last night's close. From seventy the price advanced one per cent at a time to seventy-three, but as quickly reached seventy-one again, the sales ranging from seventy-one to seventy-three after the flax had died out.

Gas was again strong, advancing 1 per cent from the opening to 69 1/2.

Sugar was active with sales from 105 1/2 to 106 1/2 and back to 105 1/2.

The Grangers were all with but slight advance over last night's close.

Cashmere were steady and higher.

Baring Maggon has decided not to ship the 200,000 gold bars today.

Reserve increase, \$1,680,975; loans decrease, \$2,088,000; specie increase, \$1,220,400; legal tender, \$665,200; deposit increase, \$898,500; circulating increase, \$41,100.

Near the close the statement of the Tobacco company regarding their dividend notice of the morning caused more stock to be dumped on the market and the price declined from 71 to 67 1/2.

New York Market.

[Closing Quotations, 3 p. m.]

Received through the office of A. M. Ticker, Room 3, Blackwell block. Securities orders for stocks and bonds, deals upon New York Stock Exchange for cash or on margin. Private telegrams.

American Cotton Oil..... 18

American Sugar..... 106 1/2

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AGAINST THE SALOON

The No-Licenses Men Take
Steps Last Night
to Fight.

MEETING IN COLUMBIA OPERA HOUSE

It Will Be Held a Week from Monday.
The Pastors Will Stir up Enthusiasm.

Temperance Sermons Tomorrow.
No Permanent Organization.

A meeting of the citizens interested in a no-license campaign and vote was called for last night at the Y. M. C. A. parlors. It was not largely attended. Those present were W. G. Cady, Rev. F. D. Penney, Rev. A. B. Church, John Larkin, John Drysdale, T. J. Crowley, A. R. Smith, Dr. Drysdale, T. J. Crowley, A. R. Smith, Dr. Drysdale and Samuel Cully, and four reporters. The principal acts of the meeting were the voting to hold a no-license mass meeting a week from Monday night in Columbia opera house and voting to request the several clergymen to do all in their power before then to create an enthusiasm. A report of the meeting follows:

The Campaign Season.

There were very few present when Rev. F. D. Penney asked W. G. Cady to state the business of the meeting. It was thought best to wait a little, during which time Mr. Cady remarked this is one question in which people do not seem to take a very active interest. Mr. Smith hinted they were afraid it would hurt their trades, or chances of election said Mr. Larkin. Mr. Penney never saw such a number of clams in the market. All are silent. Mr. Cady spoke of the time when there were no licenses before and stated that few were ready to identify themselves with prohibition and thought it so in regard to this movement.

Rev. Mr. Penney stated the business of the meeting and explained that it was the intention to hold a mass meeting Sunday afternoon and perhaps another Sunday the 15th. If anyone should make a motion to hold such a meeting it would be in order. Mr. Crowley inquired about the speakers and Mr. Penney explained there would be local speakers for the first meeting and he could get Dr. Haynes, chairman of the committee of 100 of Troy, N. Y., for another time. Mr. Larkin would like to have the meeting, but thought sufficient advertising could not be given it. Mr. Penney explained that doggers would be used.

Women Not Wanted.

In response to Mr. Penney it was said that Rev. Father Burke had not been called upon regarding the movement. Mr. Penney said in regard to speakers that laymen speakers would be good. It is part of the stock in trade of a minister to talk on temperance. Some of the difficulties of past lectures on temperance was that they were attended by women and had regular temperance talkers. He would not hold a meeting until plans were made for a successful one. The having of the Rev. Fathers McCoy, McKenna and Doyle as speakers was talked of. It was admitted it would be difficult to get them to attend on a Sunday, and then it was said one day would do just as well. Mr. Penney inquired about Father Ivers and Flynn. How they stood on the matter and if they would speak. Nothing was known of that and Dr. O. J. Brown said that to reach the voters it would be well to have the meeting on a week day evening. The advisability of having the meeting after the regular Sunday evening services was suggested and Mr. Penney said that would tend to make it a women's meeting. This meeting should be a men's meeting.

The Board's Example.

Mr. Penney inquired how it would be to arrange a meeting such as the board of trade holds and consider the mayor and other live topics at which business men would take part. That would meet the favor of Mr. Penney, who wants a laymen's meeting. In regard to the number of meetings Mr. Penney said if there was enthusiasm enough there could be even nightly meetings. Mr. Crowley thought of a rousing meeting the night before election. Mr. Penney would rather have one good one than three or four small ones. Mr. Cady said Mr. Penney's idea was to work up to big meetings. Mr. Penney thought the first meeting would tell the tale. Mr. Drysdale said those who are interested in the meetings should take strong hold of them. Dr. Brown inquired how much a majority license had last year and it was thought about 200. How long ago, he again inquired, it is since the town voted no. About 10 years, the time of the Hunter board. He inquired what would be the name of the meeting and was informed the No-Licenses meeting, perhaps.

Harmony With Two.

Mr. Penney thought that last night's meeting was to hear the report of the campaign committee. Mr. Penney thought he and Mr. Cady could report for that. Four of the seven appointed couldn't serve, he said, and the last meeting was held between Mr. Cady and himself very harmoniously. Mr. Penney again inquired if any one was ready to make a motion to have a meeting or leave the matter to the regular Sunday meetings. Mr. Cady would not like to have a meeting and a small one. If all the churches are invited to attend on a Sunday there would be a rousing meeting, even if a few women were in it. Mr. Penney thought if a mass meeting was called for the Baptist church Sunday evenings there would be a good many voters there. It wouldn't do to invite men nominated to office, it was agreed, nor those who expect to get appointed. The man who would not speak his mind is a weak man, Mr. Cady thinks. Mr. Larkin thought it would be a good thing to have several meetings but to have one tomorrow he thought would be a mistake. Thursday night was suggested as a good night, but it came to mind that that was prayer meeting night. The very fact of it being so was thought in its favor, for then the women might attend to those meetings and let the men have the temperance meeting to themselves. Mr. Cady thought next Sunday night would be a good time. Mr. Penney thought it should be arranged that the Catholic brethren should take part. The advertising that Sunday morning sermons would give should bring out a good audience.

ence in the evening. Some one suggested Monday evening as the night and the suggestion took.

The Mass Meeting.

Mr. Penney moved that the committee arrange for a meeting for a week from Monday night in Columbia opera house. Dr. Brown seconded the motion and it was carried. A boy was dispatched to see if the opera house could be obtained for that night. It was settled that the campaign committee would be strengthened by the addition of John Larkin. The getting of speakers was left to that committee.

Temperance Literature.

Mr. Penney spoke of the advisability of having the Women's Christian Temperance union distribute statistical literature. He thought it would be well to have the matter sent through the mails. Campaign literature was thought useless unless you knew your man and knew him to be wavering between two opinions. Mr. Drysdale believes in temperance leaflets at church doors. Dr. Brown believes in individual work. Mr. Penney thought that after you argue with man he is stronger than before in his opinion. Just then the boy returned and reported that Columbia opera house could be had Monday night at \$15. Mr. Cady thought a good leaflet at the church door would be valuable.

Pastors to Work.

In regard to a Sunday evening mass meeting in a week Mr. Cady suggested that that be left to the pastors. Mr. Drysdale suggested that the clergymen be asked to arrange for one. Mr. Penney remarked that a mass meeting would not have as large an attendance as separate meetings in the several churches would have. Rev. A. B. Church came in at this point and Mr. Penney told what the meeting had done. That meeting done Mr. Penney moved that between now and election the pastors be requested to use the time as they thought best to stir up enthusiasm. The motion was carried. Mr. Penney said perhaps the ministers would call in laymen to help. Mr. Church wished something could be done to stir up the public; it is votes we want. Mr. Penney wondered how many present would chip in some money to have no license literature distributed. Mr. Larkin thought a statement regarding the desirability of having the city start clean would be good to have distributed. Mr. Penney believed that if a desire to write communications to the papers be aroused that the papers would publish a reasonable amount of such matter and it would be more beneficial than campaign documents. Mr. Penney wanted to know how many present would be willing to do personal work. Mr. Penney moved that it be the sense of the meeting that all present work towards the no-license end. On motion of Mr. Crowley it was voted to request all the clergymen to be present at the mass meeting. In regard to doggers to advertise the mass meeting the matter was left to the campaign committee.

Nothing Permanent.

The question of a permanent temperance league was touched upon by Mr. Church. He has pride in a movement he takes part in and does not like to have it go out that only a few attend the meetings. He wants proper methods, methods that will arouse the public and cause public confidence. In past years the thing has been a failure. The other side has out-generaled us all the time and say, "O, temperance cranks, you didn't amount to anything." He would put his shoulder to any movement for the proper conduct of no license campaigns and the enforcement of the law, but he would not care to recommend starting an organization for these purposes unless there was a strong sentiment in favor of it. Nearly all present had something to say on the permanent organization idea, but although Mr. Penney awaited a motion on the matter none was forthcoming. The meeting adjourned subject to the call of the campaign committee.

Rev. F. D. Penney acted as chairman. The four members of the committee who have agreed to serve are Rev. F. D. Penney, W. G. Cady, George W. Chase and John Larkin. It was announced that the clergymen had been asked to deliver temperance sermons tomorrow night.

Of Interest to Wheelmen.

The Empire state express has beaten the world's record for speed with five minutes to spare. The New York Central railroad has a habit of setting the pace in various directions. One of the latest conveniences adopted by passenger Agent Daniels of this road will be thoroughly appreciated by wheelmen. A great deal of annoyance has heretofore been occasioned them in regard to handling their wheels on passenger trains, by the delay necessary in obtaining releases from the baggage car.

Under the new arrangement special bicycle tickets can be obtained which provide for transportation of wheels on the New York Central and branches, including the release in such a form as not to require the signature of the owner. These new tickets have gone on sale this month and can be obtained at all stations of this line.

The rates for transportation of bicycles have been materially reduced, the minimum rate from twenty-five to fifteen cents; the maximum rate of one dollar will carry a wheel over the line if desired. The fifteen cent charge will carry a wheel about thirty-five miles; this latter charge has apparently been fixed very considerably to meet the most general requirement, that of going to or returning from a day's run.

When it is borne in mind that manufacturers expect the sales of wheels to amount to over one million during the coming year the importance of these conveniences to wheelmen will be readily appreciated.

A Perfume Novelty.

On Monday evening, December 9, the opera house will be perfumed with "White Rose" Miss Emma DeCastro's (the leading lady of the Kennedy Players) favorite perfume. Theodoros Tamias will be here to perfume the opera house with the same as he has done in all the large cities, thus making the opera house smell like a bed of roses. This is an expensive novelty, but the manager of the Kennedy Players thinks there is nothing too good to give to the public if they fill the houses.

A daughter was born December 6 to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph McInnes of 2 Bradley street.

CHURCH NOTICES.

FIRST METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH—North Church street. Rev. George W. Brown, D. D., pastor. Residence, No. 7 North Church street. Class meeting, 9.30 a. m. Morning service 10.30. Sunday school, 12 m. Junior League meeting, 4.30 p. m. Class meetings, 6 p. m. Evening service, 7. Epworth League meeting Tuesday evening at 7.30. Church prayer meeting Thursday evening at 7.40. Music, quartet and chorus choir. E. A. Tower, organist and director.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH—Main street. Rev. W. L. Tenney, pastor. Residence, No. 22 Church street. Morning service, 10.30. Sunday school, 12 m. Christian Endeavor meeting, 6.15 p. m. Evening service, 7. Women's meeting, Tuesday at 3 p. m. Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 7.30. Music, chorus choir. George A. Metzke, organist and director.

ST. FRANCIS ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH—Eagle street. Rev. Charles M. Locke, pastor; Rev. John C. Ivers and Rev. George Flynn, assistant pastors. Residence, No. 67 Eagle street. Low Mass, 8 and 9.15 a. m. High Mass, 10.30 a. m. Sunday school, 2.30 p. m. Vespers and Benediction, 4 p. m. Music, chorus choir. M. D. LeClair, organist and director.

CHURCH OF NOTRE DAME—East Main street. Rev. Charles H. Jeannette, pastor. Residence, No. 143 East Main street. Mass, 8 and 9.15 a. m. High Mass, 10.30 a. m. Sunday school, 2 p. m. Vespers, 4 p. m. Music, chorus choir. Joseph Broder, organist and director.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH—Summer street. Rev. John C. Tebbetts, rector. Residence, No. 28 Summer street. Sunday school, 10 a. m. Morning Prayer and sermon, 11. Evening Prayer and sermon, 7. Holy Communion every Sunday at 7.30 p. m., extending first Sunday of each month, when it is held at 11 a. m. Friday evening service, 7.30. Music, vested choir. J. K. Smith, organist and director.

SECOND ADVENT CHURCH—Chestnut street. Rev. H. J. Gooden, pastor. Residence, No. 72 East Quincy street. Morning service, 10.30. Sunday school, 12 m. Evening service, 7. Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 7.30.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH—Main street. Rev. F. D. Penney, pastor. Residence, No. 24 Church street. Pastor meeting, 8.30 a. m. Praying service, 10.30. Sunday school, 12 m. Junior B. P. U. prayer meeting, 6 p. m. Evening service, 7. Young people's meeting, Tuesday evening, 7.30. Prayer meeting, Thursday evening, 7.30. Music, Chorus choir. David Roberts, organist and director.

FIRST UNIVERSALIST CHURCH—Summer street. Rev. H. March, pastor. Residence, No. 43 Church street. Morning service, 10.30. Sunday school, 12 m. Evening service, 7. Y. P. C. U. praise and devotional services, 8 p. m. Thursday evening prayer meeting, 7.30. Music, quartet. Jesse Hadfield, organist and director.

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**The Latest . . . . .**

**EVENING DRESS SUITS.**

The Evening Dress Coat for the incoming season will be shorter. The material that will be chiefly used for the suit are clear-cut plain twills, dress broad-Cloth Finish, Vicunas and Tibets and Dress Worted, but in addition a white vest of Silk or Marseulls will be worn. The peaked lapel style of coat will be more favored than the shawl roll style though the latter will be quite popular, especially with young men.

**STYLISH GARMENTS.**

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## WEATHER FORECAST.

(Special Despatch to the Transcript.)  
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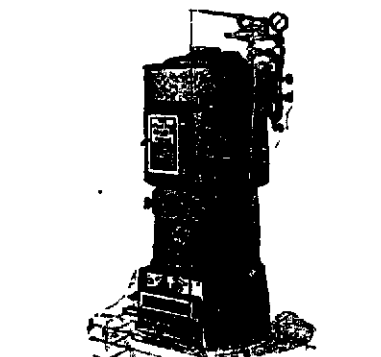
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## DEATH OF MRS. MORAN

Was Due to Suffocation, According to the Medical Examiner.

## Husband and His Mother Stuck to Old Stories.

Former Held for the Grand Jury on Charge of Murder.

CLINTON, Mass., Dec. 7.—John H. Moran, who is charged with murdering his wife, was given a hearing in the second Worcester district court yesterday before Judge Stone.

Some of the neighbors learned on Sunday afternoon, Nov. 3, that Mrs. Moran was dead. Her husband said that she died about 4 o'clock that afternoon. The defendant and his mother claimed that, and subsequently when questioned by the police and by Medical Examiner O'Connor, that death was caused by an accident which took place the evening before. A horse which the woman was driving, they said, was frightened at a passing train, and the old lady was thrown out, while the younger woman jumped.

When seen by the neighbors and officers the face of the old lady bore out the statement that something unusual had happened, for it was badly bruised, as was that of the alleged murdered woman.

Moran claimed to Mr. and Mrs. Austin O'Malley that Mrs. Moran had not taken any food since the accident Saturday night, and that a little water was all she had been given.

The evidence of the medical examiner, who reached the house about 6 o'clock Sunday night, two hours after Mrs. Moran died, according to the husband's statement, was that there were bruises and abrasions upon the face and

Discolorations Upon the Throat. That the stomach showed food which had been eaten about two or three hours before death, that the body was not when he arrived, and that rigor mortis had set in, all of which indicated that she had been dead some time—much longer than it was claimed by those who clung tenaciously to the story that death was caused by an accident.

Medical Examiner O'Connor also testified to finding the clothing of the body upon which the woman lay in a greatly disturbed condition. The lungs and base of the brain were suffused with blood, which indicated that death was caused by suffocation. He testified that death was not caused by a fall or concussion, in his opinion.

The defendant's mother was not introduced. Her testimony is regarded as very important.

Judge Stone held Moran for the grand jury, and the prisoner was taken to Worcester jail.

**Politicians in Debate.**  
 BOSTON, Dec. 7.—Five thousand people crowded into Music hall last night to listen to a debate between Timothy W. Coughley, the leader of the Independent Democracy, and John B. Moran, an independent leader, and now a follower of the regular Democratic party, on the merits of the two majority candidates, Curtis and Quincy. Several thousand people were unable to obtain admission. Coughley attacked the Democratic machine and John Quincy's record as assistant secretary of state, and his attitude in the printing controversy which necessitated an investigation. Moran attacked Mayor Curtis and his heads of departments, and declared his administration was not one that recommended itself to the people.

**Freights in Collision.**  
 WAREFIELD, Mass., Dec. 7.—Two freight trains met in collision at the Warefield Junction station on the Boston and Maine road last night. Both engines came together with a crash. Firemen and engineers on both trains jumped and escaped with slight injuries. Four cars of grain of a Portland freight were overturned, blocking both inward and outward lines. It does not appear that the trainmen were to blame for the collision, although it remains to be determined what was the direct cause.

**A Lottery Question.**  
 PROVIDENCE, Dec. 7.—An agent of the Watch and Ward society of Boston has begun a campaign against the druggists of this city who have been giving prizes away with purchases, in violation of the anti lottery laws. The druggists declare they give full value for the money, and that all prizes are given away. Purchasers can take them or leave them, just as they please. The druggists will fight any attempt made to abolish the system.

**Depositors Will Get Half.**  
 WILLIMANTIC, Conn., Dec. 7.—Receivers Halland and Sides of the Dime Savings bank have completed their inventory of the bank's assets and liabilities, excepting the amount due depositors, which cannot be determined until the depositors' books are all in. The grand total of assets is reported at \$450,000. At that figure depositors are expected to receive a dividend of 50 per cent, and perhaps more.

**Alleged Extortion.**  
 PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 7.—Henry I. Lord of Biddeford, pension claim agent, is on trial here, charged with extracting excessive fees from Mrs. Laura E. Greaves of Saco, in collecting her claim. The amount awarded Mrs. Greaves by the government was \$3175. She claims that Lord took \$1175 of this amount for his services. Lord denies this. While on the witness stand yesterday Lord swooned.

**Probing a Mystery.**  
 KINGSTON, R. I., Dec. 7.—The town council of Kingston has announced its intention of paying \$600 for information which will lead to the identity of the person or persons who burned the property of Marcus L. Metcalf at Uxbridge last week. The money will also be paid to anyone who will name the author of threatening anonymous letters which Metcalf has received.

**State's Aid Invoked.**  
 MONTEAGUE CITY, Mass., Dec. 7.—State Detective Munyon has been called upon to make an investigation on the death of Mrs. Levi Fournier, who died suddenly from some cause which the doctors refuse to divulge. The husband's story of finding his wife dead caused some suspicion. No arrests have yet been made.

**Bleedy Revenge.**  
 MANCHESTER, N. H., Dec. 7.—There was a lively stabbing fracas last night between three Italians to settle an old grudge. Two brothers waited upon the victim as he quailed before a gang that was working on the Manchester waterworks. After some rounds the two attacked the man with razors making four terrible gashes on his face and throat. The two made their escape.

**A Gift of \$25,000.**  
 HANOVER, N. H., Dec. 7.—By the will of the late William W. Brown of Manchester, Dartmouth college has received a bequest of \$25,000, the sum to be put at interest until it shall amount to \$40,000, when the income is to be used for the foundation of a professorship in physiology and allied branches.

**Mason in Jail.**  
 BOSTON, Dec. 7.—Jack Mason, the actor,

who has been playing the principal role in the "Cotton King" at the Columbia theater here and who made a voluntary assignment lately, was committed to jail yesterday by a judgment of the municipal court in default of bail.

## Charged With Train Wrecking.

BRAintree, Vt., Dec. 7.—The three Potter brothers who are charged with attempting to wreck a train on the Boston and Maine railroad near here last October were placed under \$2000 bonds by Justice Newton yesterday for trial in the superior court.

## No Trace of Missing Children.

BANGOR, Me., Dec. 7.—No trace has been found of the two children, Gladys Rowell and Harry Harvey, who disappeared from their homes in East Dover. The river has been dragged and the woods searched. It is believed that the children have been kidnapped.

## Settled For \$12,500.

PROVIDENCE, Dec. 7.—The Providence Gas company has settled the suit for damages brought against it by the heirs of the five men who lost their lives by asphyxiation in a gasometer last summer. The families of the victims will receive \$12,500 in all.

## After Twenty-two Years.

MILFORD, Mass., Dec. 7.—Judge Fales of this city has received by mail from Boston a package containing a pocketbook and \$20 that were lost by his father in Woonsocket, R. I., 22 years ago. Judge Fales' father recognized the wallet at once.

## Charged With Infanticide.

MANCHESTER, Vt., Dec. 7.—Mary E. Wetherbee is under arrest, charged with throwing her 6-week-old child by throwing it into the river at Manchester Centre. She was married five years ago, but was divorced from her husband.

## Frozen to Death.

WESTPORT, R. I., Dec. 7.—The body of David Murphy of Ashaway 67 years of age of unsound mind who strayed away from home Wednesday, was found frozen stiff on a highway in Westport yesterday afternoon.

## Held For Trial.

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., Dec. 7.—James Rawson, the Fall River letter carrier, pleaded guilty to stealing a mail bag, before Special Commissioner Clifford here, and was held under \$1000 bail for trial in March.

## All Pans Green.

HANOVER, N. H., Dec. 7.—Two small children of Henry Beck, a well known dealer of Hanover, are a quantity of pans green and are critically sick.

## New England Briefs.

Seth J. Thomas, an old Boston lawyer, is dead.

The Drouin lumber mill at Victory, Vt., was burned. Loss, \$6000.

Secret service men are watching the Boston letter carriers again.

A young man was killed by being struck with a polo ball at Salem, Mass.

Brice S. Evans, a veteran real estate broker and dealer of Boston, is dead.

A syndicate secured control of the Norwich (Conn.) City Gas company at a price of \$8750 on stock, whose par value is \$5.50.

Based on the recent official school registration, it is estimated that the present population of New Haven is 99,633. This is an increase since the census of 1890 of 13,698.

Dr. Charles X. Wells, a dentist of Waterbury, Conn., was arrested, charged with the theft of \$37 from Edward Hough, a money lender, who was lost by Wells, was found by two girls and given to Wells, who refused to turn it over to its owner.

## Whites Killing Negroes.

OCALA, Fla., Dec. 7.—Contractor Allison, whose headquarters are at Starke's Ferry, on the Ocala river, reports that the whites have formed an organization and are driving all the negroes away. Some time ago Allison imported negroes to cut ties. These were driven away, three being killed. More negroes were brought in, and they, too, were driven away, two being shot. Allison says the negroes are terrorized.

## A Correction.

BRUSSELS, Dec. 7.—The Independence

Belge denies the statement that United States Minister Ewing has informed his government that Belgium refuses to grant the extradition of Bussell, Killoran and Allen the men who escaped from jail in New York. It is added that the extradition of these men has never been demanded by the United States.

## Murder or Suicide?

ANDOVER, O., Dec. 7.—George Winchester, aged about 45 years, was found dead in a pool of blood in his apartments over the Andover National bank. Indications point to suicide, with a possible chance for a murder theory. Winchester was a wealthy business man.

## Being Carefully Considered.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—The National Association of Wool Growers consumed yesterday in a discussion of the memorial asking for relief for the wool industry which is to be presented to congress. Its consideration has not been completed.

## Old Warrior Meets.

CHICAGO, Dec. 7.—Survivors of the Army of the Frontier, which was organized by General Schofield in 1862, and of the battle of Prairie Grove, had a reunion and banquet today, the 33d anniversary of the battle of Prairie Grove.

## Clergymen Charged With Libel.

DETROIT, Dec. 7.—Police Commissioner Chipman yesterday swore out a warrant for the arrest of Rev. R. G. Service, pastor of the Trumbull Avenue Presbyterian church, on a charge of criminal libel.

## The Housewives' Strike.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—No new features in the housewives' strike have developed. No progress is being made toward settlement. There is no talk of surrender on the part of the strikers.

## A Mysterious Tragedy.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Dec. 7.—Samuel Lines, a retired merchant of this city, while returning home on a train from a gunning expedition, fell over dead with a bullet in his head. The shot, it is thought, was fired from outside the train.

## Many Are Homeless.

COPYRIGHT, Dec. 7.—Fire at the town of Mariestad, Sweden, caused damage amounting to about \$270,000. Many people were injured by the flames, and 600 out of a population of less than 2500 are left homeless.

## Not Yet Satisfied.

LONDON, Dec. 7.—Lord Dunsen will sail for New York on next Thursday, in order to resume an inquiry as to the degree of immersion of the Defender in the first race for the America's cup in September.

## To Fight in Mexico.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 7.—Peter Maher last night signed the articles to meet Bob Fitzsimmons for the world's championship on Feb. 14 next in Mexico.

## An American Vesuvius.

SANTA FE, N. M., Dec. 7.—It is reported from Las Cruces that San Augustine peak, 40 miles from that town, is in a state of eruption.

## SOME FINE DIPLOMACY

Must Be Shown in Dealing With the Venezuelan Dispute.

## England Expected to Evade the Main Issues.

Anything Approaching an Open Breach Would Result Disastrously.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—Lord Salisbury's reply to Secretary Olney's letter requesting a final and definite statement of Great Britain's purposes concerning Venezuela is in Washington, having been delivered to Sir Julian Pauncefote last night. The answer was brought to Washington by Donalson, the special messenger to the embassy, who received the reply from the steward of the steamship Britannia, on which it arrived at New York yesterday.

While it is true that the administration is aware that Lord Salisbury's reply to Secretary Olney's note of July last, touching the Venezuelan boundary dispute, is adverse to the proposition to arbitrate the title to the lands lying westward of the Schomburgk line, speedy action by our government in this matter is not considered likely.

Pauncefote may occupy himself several days, at least, in a careful consideration, in order that he may make sure that he is transmitting to Secretary Olney the views of his government, so far as it is proper for them to be communicated to the United States government, without at the same time imparting any portion of the note that may be framed for his private guidance. Then the absence of the president from this city will obstruct further delay in the proceedings for Secretary Olney would not feel justified in making a forward movement at this stage of the case without advising fully with the president.

As the latter has promised congress to communicate in a special message the nature of Lord Salisbury's reply, further delay may be caused by the preparation of the message, so on the whole it is impossible that the next step can be taken before the latter part of the present month, if so early.

## Sized Up in the House.

There is a pretty general discussion of Venezuelan affairs among members of the house.

The general opinion among those who will have the conduct of foreign affairs in charge in the house is that Lord Salisbury's reply will be a diplomatic evasion of the main issues and will be couched in friendly terms, and while expressing a willingness to arbitrate as to a portion of the disputed territory, will deny the right of the United States to ask Great Britain to arbitrate as to territory the ownership of which Great Britain claims is hers beyond dispute. In other words, it is believed that Great Britain's reply will be tantamount to the subject and simply open the way for further correspondence.

"A glance at the correspondence," says a prominent Republican member, "will show that this has been England's position and policy for 50 years. She will seem to yield something, but she will stake off a line beyond which she will not go in this matter of arbitration. That was Lord Grenville's policy. It will be Salisbury's. Though Salisbury is impervious to inclination, he will be exceedingly cautious. The considerations involved in an open breach with England, or anything approaching an open breach, are gigantic. Credits would be immediately shaken. The question of the tariff is infinitely of more importance to Great Britain than the ownership of a few gold mines in Venezuela."

## Of Interest to New Englanders.

The house was in session but half an hour when it adjourned until Monday.

Mr. Baker of New Hampshire, who has proclaimed war upon the Secretary of Agriculture Morton because of the latter's refusal to expend an appropriation for the purchase of seeds for distribution among congressional constituents, attempted to put through a resolution calling upon the secretary for information on the subject, but Mr. McMillan of Massachusetts objected. Mr. Walker of Massachusetts, in whose district reside 90,000 of the naturalized Armenians in this country, asked for the printing in the record of their resolution receiving the outrages committed upon their relatives in Turkey, and pledging the support of congress to any steps that might be taken by the executive for their protection, but to this Mr. Turner of Georgia interposed an objection.

Public bills of interest to New England were introduced in the house as follows: For public buildings at Westerly, Woonsocket and various river and harbor improvements in Rhode Island; for public buildings at Plymouth, Mass.; for public buildings at Nashua and at Keene, N. H., and for the adjudication and payment of the claims of New Hampshire for reimbursement of the cost of houses advanced by the state upon authority of the secretary of war, for public buildings at Stamford, Conn., for an addition to the public building at Hartford.

Representative Miller of Kansas introduced a bill and a resolution calling upon the president, in his judgment not incompatible with public interests, for all information received by the government in regard to the arrest and trial of ex Consul John L. Waller.

## A Bimetallic Congress.

PARIS, Dec. 7.—The French bimetallic league has convened an international conference which is to meet on Dec. 10 to agree upon the terms of an appeal to the respective governments to renew negotiations for an international agreement for the use of both gold and silver as money metals. Representatives of England, Belgium and Germany will attend.

## Died on the Gallows.

LITTLE ROCK, Dec. 7.—Jesse Jones was hanged at Osark yesterday for murdering two stockmen named Charles and Jesse Hibdon of Logan county. He was about 21 years old. He strongly protested his innocence in a speech on the gallows.

## In the Interest of Labor.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—Rev. W. D. P. Bliss of Boston began a series of lectures upon the labor movement last night in All Souls' church. The lecture was largely historical and preliminary to the general course.

## Durrant Denied a New Trial.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 7.—Judge Murphy has denied the motion for a new trial in the case of Theodore Durrant, convicted of the murder of Blanche Lamont.

## NEWS IN A NUTSHELL.

George Augustus Sala is dying.

The Prussian cabinet threatens to resign.

General Edward Wright of Des Moines is dead.

The Russian church is to build a cathedral in Chicago.

There is a movement to tax all church property in Missouri.

The East Chicago Iron and Steel company suspended work.

A vein of gold quartz has been found in Usimbura, East Africa.

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## Armenians Growing Desperate.

LONDON, Dec. 7.—The Constantinople correspondent of The Daily Telegraph says that there is rumor there that the Armenian committee has become desperate at the inaction of the powers, and will organize fresh demonstrations.

The British, Russian, French and Italian consuls at Erzerum have signed a memorial declaring that the massacre there was not provoked by the Armenians. This memorial has been presented to the Porte. No news has been received from the interior of Armenia since Nov. 26, owing to the fall of snow and the consequent impassable condition of the country.

Special dispatches from Constantinople allege that H. M. S. Imogene and Cockatrice have landed blue-jackets at Pera to protect the English embassy.

A dispatch to The Chronicle from Vienna says it is stated that the ex-sultan, Murad, has not fled from Constantinople, but has been secretly killed by the sultan's entourage on account of his liberal tendencies.

The Daily News says: The Circassians from Sivas, under Khalil Bey, arriving at the Angora frontier, produce orders from the vail of Sivas to devastate all the Armenian villages. The Angoran officials thereupon excluded them. At Genetrik, near Caesarea, Turks and Christians united and barricaded the streets, and repulsed four attacks of the Circassians. The rising at Caesarea was arranged for Nov. 18, but was forbidden by the government.

The Daily News also has letters from Macaroon which say: As far as can be learned, the Turkish troops did not share in the massacre, but, rather tardily, checked it and placed a cordon around the city on the following day to exclude the hundreds of villagers bent on sharing in plunder.

The Graphic's Odessa correspondent says that Admiral Kopyloff, commander in chief of the Black sea fleet, has been summoned to St. Petersburg. It is supposed that the summons is in connection with the Armenian question.

Tied Up by Hurricane.

BERLIN, Dec. 7.—A regular hurricane raged in Germany for 48 hours and stopped all telegraphic communication. Dispatches from Vienna report a terrible storm and great damage to property. There were two violent earthquake shocks at Ljubach.

## Bishop Saterlee.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—Rev. Henry Y. Saterlee of Calvary Episcopal church of New York city was elected bishop of the newly created Episcopal diocese at Washington. Eleven ballots were taken.

## Cheering News.

CHRISTIANIA, Dec. 7.—The wife of Dr. Nansen, the Arctic explorer, has received a letter by carrier pigeon to the effect that her husband's expedition is doing well.

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Senator Morgan Says the Bering  
Sea Claims are Not Good.

HE SCORES PAUNCEFOTE AND  
PRESIDENT CLEVELAND  
IN THE SENATE  
TODAY.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—In the senate to-  
day, Mr. Morgan of Alabama spoke at  
length in support of a resolution offered  
by him referring that part of the presi-  
dent's message relating to the payment  
of the British Behring sea claims to the  
Committee on Foreign Relations, with in-  
structions to examine into the question of  
liability to Great Britain and report to the  
senate.

Mr. Morgan, who was a member of the  
tribunal of arbitration, asserted that the  
question of whether a negotiation re-  
specting the liability of the United States  
to Great Britain for seizure of sealing ves-  
sels in Behring sea under the orders of  
President Cleveland's first administration  
should take place under the treaty of  
February 29, 1892, was still an open ques-  
tion and had not been closed by the award  
of the tribunal of arbitration.

On the contrary, as he demonstrated by  
extracts from the treaty and award tri-  
bunal, it expressly refused to make any  
decision of the question of such liability  
or to declare that seizure of vessels under  
Mr. Cleveland's order was illegal. These  
questions, he said, were distinctly re-  
manded by that tribunal to the further  
negotiations of treaty powers as original  
questions.

Senator Morgan says the position of the  
United States is humiliating, and the  
Cleveland administration beaten in di-  
plomacy. He caustically criticized the  
conduct of Ambassador Pauncefote in the  
matter and said his representations to  
Secretary Gresham were not in accord  
with the facts. The president comes  
in for a good share of vigorous criticism  
for what Senator Morgan regards as an  
attempt to override the constitutional  
rights of the senate by disdaining to con-  
sult with that body in the negotiations  
regarding the final consideration of Behring  
sea claims. Mr. Morgan claims that not  
one dollar of Great Britain's claim is just-  
ly due.

BIG RIDGEFIELD FIRE.  
Town Hall Goes With \$100,000 Worth of  
Other Property.

(Special dispatch to the Transcript.)  
RIDGEFIELD, Conn., Dec. 9.—The fire  
here was gotten under control at 4 o'clock  
this morning. Seven buildings used by  
various business concerns and two  
dwellings were destroyed. The fire at one  
time threatened to wipe out the entire  
business portion of the town. Al-  
most every resident of the town was  
aroused and men and boys joined the  
volunteer fire department in fighting the  
flames. The town hall is among the  
buildings burned. The total loss is \$75,000  
to \$100,000. Firemen from Danbury did  
not arrive until the fire had been extin-  
guished, the delay being due to a failure  
of a railroad to get a special train ready.

## SHIP HAS GONE DOWN.

(Special dispatch to the Transcript.)  
LONDON, Dec. 9.—A report has reached  
here that the British steamer Principia,  
Capt. Stannard, from Shields via Dundee,  
November 18, for New York, has been  
lost at sea and twenty-seven of the crew  
drowned. The Principia is 1790 tons net  
built in 1831, owned by the Arrow Ship-  
ping company of New Castle.

## SERIOUS FOR MCCARTHY.

(Special dispatch to the Transcript.)  
DUBLIN, Dec. 9.—John E. Redmond,  
leader of the Parnellite faction, in a  
speech yesterday urged evicted tenants to  
demand from Justin McCarthy an account-  
ing of the Paris fund of \$125,000 allotted  
for the benefit of evicted tenants, which  
he declared had been expended to settle  
differences among Dillonites, Healyites  
and O'Brienites.

## OUT ON BAIL.

(Special dispatch to the Transcript.)  
BOSTON, Dec. 9.—Frederick W. Pen-  
body, indicted for libel against Congress-  
man H. A. Atwood of Boston, today  
pleaded not guilty in the superior court  
and was admitted to bail in \$1,000. The  
case is to be tried this month.

## TERRIFIC STORMS.

(Special dispatch to the Transcript.)  
ROME, Dec. 9.—Terrific gales have pre-  
vailed throughout Italy and along the  
coasts. Twenty or more wrecks are re-  
ported in which there was a great loss of  
life.

## CUBAN PATRIOTS ADVANCING.

(Special dispatch to the Transcript.)  
MADRID, Dec. 9.—A despatch from Ha-  
vana says: "The rebel general, Maceo, is

advancing upon Santa Clara, while the  
insurgent leader, Gomez, is keeping the  
field between that town and Matanzas."

## BIG BOSTON FIRM WEAK.

(Special dispatch to the Transcript.)  
BOSTON, Dec. 9.—Whittem, Burdett &  
Co. the largest wholesale clothing house  
in Boston, have asked for extension from  
their creditors. This house failed six  
years ago for \$1,200,000 and their credit has  
not been good since. It is probable that  
present liabilities will not exceed \$500,000.

## FINANCIAL.

(Special dispatch to the Transcript.)  
NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—Several large block  
of tobacco were thrown on the market  
this forenoon and the price opened from  
66 to 68, advancing slowly to 69. Sugar  
was steady and higher. Gas was weak at  
the opening, selling off 1/4 from the open-  
ing. Grangers were inactive and slightly  
lower.  
Reading was weak, declining 1/4 from  
the opening. Leather preferred was ac-  
tive, advancing 1/4 from the opening.  
There is not expected to be very heavy  
gold shipments if any this week. The  
banks are calling in loans on leather as  
well as tobacco.

## New York Market.

(Closing Quotations, 3 p. m.)  
Received through the office of A. M. Tinker,  
Room 3, Blackinton block. Executives orders for  
stocks and bonds, dealers in New York Stock  
Exchange for cash or on margin. Private tele-  
phone 78.  
American Cotton Oil . . . . . 18 1/2  
American Sugar . . . . . 108 1/2  
Atchafalca . . . . . 10 1/2  
American Tobacco . . . . . 71 1/4  
B. & O. . . . . 51  
Canadian Southern . . . . . 54 1/2  
Central of New Jersey . . . . . 17 1/4  
Chesapeake & Potomac . . . . . 104 1/2  
Chicago & North Western . . . . . 82 1/2  
C. & N. O. . . . . 68  
Chicago & Western . . . . . 71 1/4  
St. Paul . . . . . 41 1/4  
Rock Island . . . . . 41 1/4  
Chicago St. P. M. & O. . . . . 41 1/4  
C. & C. St. L. . . . . 41  
C. & O. . . . . 129 3/4  
Del. & D. W. . . . . 38 1/4  
Del. & R. W. . . . . 38 1/4  
Dis. & C. Reed . . . . . 38 1/4  
Gen. Electric . . . . . 38 1/4  
Ill. Cen. . . . . 38 1/4  
Lake Shore . . . . . 38 1/4  
L. & N. Harb. . . . . 38 1/4  
Manhattan Elevated . . . . . 201 1/4  
M. & T. C. . . . . 29 1/4  
M. E. & T. . . . . 29 1/4  
Missouri Pacific . . . . . 29 1/4  
National Lead . . . . . 29 1/4  
New England . . . . . 29 1/4  
N. Y. Central . . . . . 29 1/4  
 Erie . . . . . 15 1/4  
 Out. & West. . . . . 10 1/4  
 N. Y. Sus. & W. . . . . 15 1/4  
 No. Pacific pref. . . . . 33 1/4  
 Pacific Mail . . . . . 32 1/4  
 Phil. & Reading . . . . . 31 1/4  
 Pullman . . . . . 33 1/4  
 Southern Ry. common . . . . . 33 1/4  
 pref. . . . . 33 1/4  
 Ten. Coal & Iron . . . . . 82 1/4  
 Texas Pacific . . . . . 10 3/4  
 Union Pacific . . . . . 9  
 U. S. Rubber . . . . . 10 3/4  
 U. S. Leather common . . . . . 6 3/4  
 pref. . . . . 6 3/4  
 Wash. pref. . . . . 37 1/4  
 Western Union . . . . . 37 1/4  
 Wheeling & Lake Erie . . . . . 37 1/4

## Chicago Markets.

Wheat—Dec. 59 1/2, May 62 1/2  
Corn—Dec. 17 1/2, May 20 1/2  
Port-Jack, 6.55, May 8.90  
Lard—Jan. 5.27, May 5.30  
Opening . . . . . 8.11, 8.35  
Closing . . . . . 8.25, 8.45

## THE FESTIVAL PROPOSITION.

A Meeting Called For Tonight to Consider  
Consolidation.

Another conference was held Saturday  
afternoon by W. P. Wood and W. A.  
Whittlessey of Pittsfield and W. B. Plun-  
kett of Adams, George W. Chase and  
Clarence A. Brown representing Northern  
Berkshire, regarding the uniting of the  
music interests of the county. The con-  
ference was held in the Adams club rooms  
and at its conclusion a statement of the  
plans was given out. Tonight a meeting  
will be held at St. John's parish house at  
which all the musicians and singers of the  
town are invited. The meeting is to get  
the sense of these regarding the proposed  
consolidation.

Warren B. Houghton of New York city  
arrived in town Saturday. He will return  
today accompanied by Mrs. Houghton  
and Miss Daisy and Miss Margaret Hough-  
ton, who will reside in that city this win-  
ter.

George Mulaney of the postoffice staff  
spent yesterday with friends in Pittsfield.  
—Mr. Burridge, a teacher in the sci-  
entific department of Drury Academy, has a  
sister, Miss Fannie Burridge, who is a mis-  
sionary in Armenia. He has felt great  
anxiety concerning her as the locality of  
her work has been exposed to the brutal  
Turkish atrocities. Our foreign dis-  
patches today bring him the good news  
that with several other Armenian mis-  
sionaries, she is now safe in protected ter-  
ritory. Mr. Burridge, who has recently  
come to Drury from near Boston, has  
made many friends among his associates  
and people by his devotion to their inter-  
ests, and they will rejoice with him over  
the good news from his sister.

Kennedy's players will open this Mon-  
day evening at the Wilson opera house,  
for one week, with Oliver Dowd Byron's  
great play, The Plunger. On the open-  
ing night the house will be performed  
with White Rose, Miss Emma DeCastros  
(the leading lady with this company) fa-  
vorite perfumee. There will be a change of  
program nightly and at the matinees  
Wednesday and Saturday.

Never take a cold bath unless you have  
enough vitality for reaction—but don't  
mistake laziness for want of vitality.  
Never take a cold bath when your body  
is already suffering from cold—your body  
as well take a block of ice for a stove.  
Use cold water freely in all desirable  
ways—but don't become a cold water crank  
and use it to excess.—Somerville Journal.

## BUSINESS BOOMS.

Every line of business that isn't adver-  
tised ought to be, without exception.—  
Chicago Record.

Advertisements that pay make money  
easier than any other way known to sell  
goods.—Profitable Advertising.  
The one aim of every business man is to  
make sales. The one aim of advertising  
is to bring business. The one kind of ad-  
vertising that succeeds is the right kind.—  
Frank A. Wetzlarth.

The growth of advertising and the in-  
creasing necessity for it develop some very  
bright work, so that it is almost a waste of  
money to advertise unless one advertises  
cleverly.—Printers' Ink.

## LICENSE QUESTION.

It was Touched Upon in the  
Local Pulpits Yes-  
terday.

## SPECIAL SERMONS AT FOUR CHURCHES

Clergy Respond to the Request of the  
W. T. C. U. The Duty of the Peo-  
ple Concerning the Li-  
quor Traffic.

## At the Methodist Church.

Rev. G. W. Brown, D.D., pastor, deliv-  
ered his sermon on the license question  
in the morning, instead of evening as re-  
quested by the ladies of the Women's  
Christian Temperance union. The morn-  
ing hour was chosen for this by the pastor  
because his pulpit was to be occupied in  
the evening by Rev. A. P. Foster of Bos-  
ton, who spoke at the Congregational  
church in the morning.  
Mr. Brown began his sermon by deplor-  
ing the tardy progress made in the cause  
of temperance reform, attributing it to  
the strength of the foes of temperance.  
The strong foes of temperance were ap-  
petite, avarice and apathy. The speaker  
believed that as powerful as appetite is,  
whether inherited or cultivated, a kind  
providence had given to every one some  
opportunity for overcoming it. A man  
should not be held guiltless for allowing  
himself to be held under the bondage of  
appetite.

Avarice as shown in the liquor traffic be-  
considered a more dangerous foe to tem-  
perance than appetite. He cited a town  
where the weekly pay rolls of a manu-  
facturer amounted to \$700 and by a plan  
of marking the bills paid out to the help  
on a certain day and watching the de-  
posit its in the village bank, it was found  
that \$32 of the \$700 had come to the bank  
way of the saloons. He regarded apathy  
as the great silent foe of the cause of  
temperance; the most hopeless feature of  
the cause the indifference of the masses,  
the common conscience seeming to be  
paralyzed on this subject. His experience  
in New York state showed him that two-  
thirds of the pauperism in the locality  
where he had been located was caused by  
drunkenness.

Among the remedies advocated were  
primarily the proper education of child-  
ren in regard to the moral and physical  
effects of the use of intoxicants, and  
secondarily the establishment and enforce-  
ment of proper laws looking to the sup-  
pression of the traffic. He asserted that  
at present in our city the liquor traffic is  
as much protected by the laws of our  
commonwealth as are the sacred altars of  
our homes. In answer to the common  
remark that we should wait until public  
opinion demanded a law suppressing the  
traffic, he said that if we waited until public  
opinion of itself was developed up to  
that point we might have to wait until no  
such law is needed. He claimed that the  
church has done more than all other in-  
fluences combined for the cause of tem-  
perance. Friends of temperance are li-  
able to become so heated in working for  
it as to hurt the cause. He advocated a  
temperate course in discussing the ques-  
tion of temperance.

## At the Congregational Church.

Rev. W. L. Tenney preached on the  
temperance question Sunday evening. A  
large part of his sermon was devoted to  
an earnest appeal to young men, present-  
ing to them a high standard of moral  
attainment. He urged the adoption of the  
most sublime type of manliness—that  
to be found in the character and teachings  
of Christ. Resolution and fixed purpose  
to stand by the right are among the ele-  
ments of manliness of most practical value  
to the individual and to community. A  
boat loose from its moorings never drifts  
but in one direction—down the stream.  
Good comradeship was essential for manly  
development, but it must be a wholesome  
and pure comradeship. The treating habit  
he considered responsible for more  
drunkenness than depraved taste. He  
had no faith in a pledge that did not em-  
body the spirit of Christ.

Responsibility to our fellowmen was  
presented as one of the great responsibil-  
ities of our private and public life. Person-  
al temperance is the fundamental prin-  
ciple of temperance reform. The protest-  
ant church, he said, has not yet reached  
the practical work in this cause that has  
been reached by our friends of the Cath-  
olic church, referring presumably to the  
admirable temperance organization of the  
latter church. He claimed that the only  
way to settle the temperance question was  
to educate the masses that they would  
be governed in this respect in the same  
way as they are governed in regard to the  
selection and proper use of food.

Mr. Tenney regretted that he was not  
yet permitted to vote in the city of  
his recent pleasant adoption, but said he  
was proud to be a resident of a city where  
a Democrat is ready to vote for a good  
Republican and a Republican for a good  
Democrat. He believed that the removal  
of saloons would remove important ob-  
stacles to good city government. Among  
the results, if this were possible, would  
be better educational influences upon  
children and men, better employment for  
men now in saloons, fairer chances for  
other business enterprises, a higher stand-  
ard of wages following a higher standard  
of living and the upraising of the quality  
of future citizenship.

He did not assume to assert whether the  
present laws have been properly enforced  
in our community or not; his hearers  
knew better about that than he did. But  
he wanted to remind every voter for no-  
license that by casting such a vote he was  
bound, if no license was adopted, to see  
that law enforced. He did not believe in  
rauling for no license and then falling  
asleep. He made no demands as to how  
any man should cast his vote, only that it  
should be cast carefully and conscientiously.

## At the Baptist.

Rev. F. D. Penney chose as the subject  
for yesterday evening's sermon "The  
Greater North Adams—Four Towers of  
Strength." He first called attention to  
the Holy city and its prophecies. Then he  
emphasized symmetry and said wherever  
there is a lack of it some evil has been  
forcibly at work. We can look for nothing  
better out of an unbalanced life than  
symmetry and we can hope for nothing  
better, pray for nothing better for the  
city, or nation than an unbalanced life.  
Men and women must be of a sym-

metrical character, looking for the high-  
est and best things. The four towers of  
strength that Mr. Penney considered were  
"Religious Devotion," "Trained  
Business Ability," "Social Fairly" and  
"Temperate Laws and Temperate Life."  
A city, he said, to be characterized by  
religious devotion. That can be fostered  
by the proper observance of the  
Christian Sabbath, in public worship, in  
home worship, in religious reading and all  
things helpful and restful to the mind and  
body. He would rid the street of the  
loud cry of the boys selling  
Sunday newspapers. Boys should  
be taught that Sunday is not a day of  
traffic. Religious devotion is fostered by  
pure, consistent, Christian living. The  
great question of all questions today is  
that of Christian sociology. Religious  
devotion will be fostered when the church  
is in the best sense popular, not when  
people are drawn to it for the spectacular.  
In regard to trained business ability, the  
second of the towers, Mr. Penney said he  
did not believe there was a ten-year-old  
boy in the congregation, who, if he lived  
a life of religious devotion but would be-  
come a successful man. It should not be  
held up to a boy that to become a business  
success is the greatest achievement; rather  
let it be held that to become an earnest  
Christian, as a help to business ability the free  
schools were sustained and parents were  
enjoined to make the best endeavor and  
greatest sacrifice that their children  
might become educated. The schools  
as a teacher of patriotism are not forgotten.  
Social purity, the third tower, is fostered  
by the application of Christianity to the  
marriage relations, to defend the home,  
society, the pure lives of young men and  
women and keep sacred the church of the  
living God. More than a passing word  
might be said on that subject, but let these  
be kept flaming out at the top of one of  
these towers absolute social purity.  
It is fostered by banishing the low grade  
theatre and the removal of objectionable  
literature from the news stands. Some-  
time was given to discussing temperate  
laws and temperate life, the laws enforced  
and the life maintained well. Figures  
were quoted to show that ninety per cent.  
of the 500,000 persons in prison got there  
through drink and that those who sup-  
port the saloons are between eighteen and  
thirty years of age. The duty that lies  
upon us to protect the lives of the young  
was considered, and instances where a  
"living sorrow was sent home on parent's  
hearts" were spoken of. Often had the  
speaker looked on the babe in the cradle  
and thought, "From the cradle whither?"  
In regard to the business side of the li-  
cense policy an ex-selectman had given  
Mr. Penney the privilege to say that there  
is no money in it for the city when the  
whole city is told. In reference to his  
statements on Sunday selling some time  
ago, Mr. Penney said that one man told  
him he could bring proof of eight saloon  
patrons going out and into a place where  
liquor is sold on a Sunday morning be-  
tween 10 and 11 o'clock.

## At the Universalist

et arch Rev. A. B. Church preached a ser-  
mon in the evening on "Some Essentials  
of a City Government." Time would not  
permit speaking of all the essentials, and  
Mr. Church spoke of four, the first of  
which he said was good and efficient offi-  
cials. It is the duty of the people to make  
wise selections in choosing their officials.  
For mayor, no choice is presented, the  
community having agreed on one man.  
This man's ability no one questions, and  
those who know him best believe he will  
give our city the very best service of  
which he is capable. He has declared  
that he will and no one doubts his word.  
In selecting the others we have a large  
list to choose from, and out of it Mr.  
Church thought we could get a very fair  
board of officials. We might, he said,  
have done better, and should have done  
better if it had not been for political par-  
tisanism and maneuvering.  
The second essential is earnest co-opera-  
tion. We must not only have good  
officials, but the citizens should support  
them loyally in all their efforts to serve  
the city. Constant criticism and fault-  
finding is injurious and tends to weaken  
the government. Just and proper criticism  
when called for is always in order, but it  
should be given in a friendly spirit and for  
good ends. The city officials are entitled  
to thorough support, and if they fail after  
this has been given, the people know  
where the fault is and their duty is clear.  
Another essential is moral integrity. A  
city is a business corporation, but it ought  
also to be morally just and humane. It  
ought not to be open to the charge that  
corporations are soulless. No particular  
religion should be favored or anything of  
that kind, but the spirit of brotherhood  
should be cultivated. Nothing should be  
done for private gain, but everything for  
the public good. And we should all re-  
member that the moral character of a city  
depends as much on the constituents as  
upon the officials.  
The fourth and last essential spoken of  
was sobriety. Mr. Church spoke of the  
importance of the question of how to  
handle the liquor traffic. His own duty  
had always been plain. He considered  
the traffic one of the greatest evils, he  
knew of no good that comes from it, and  
so when it is to be voted on there is no  
question in his mind as to the proper  
course. But good temperance people differ  
in their views on this subject, and cir-  
cumstances must also be taken into con-  
sideration. Mr. Church thought that a  
license without the support of a strong  
public sentiment was of doubtful benefit,  
and he questioned whether the temper-  
ance sentiment in this town is strong  
enough to make prohibition effectual. If  
it were not it could not be made so by a  
mass meeting and a few sermons a week  
before election. We ought, he said, to  
have a citizen's league to include all who  
are against the liquor traffic, whose busi-  
ness it should be to educate the people  
and build up public sentiment. Its work  
should not be spasmodic, but constant.  
There is plenty of argument to be brought  
against the liquor traffic and such an  
association could bring out the argument  
and make it effective. A temperance  
saccon and cooking school would be good  
adjuncts to such a work, and when public  
sentiment had reached the proper point  
prohibition would come naturally and  
easily and would be effective.

## At the Baptist.

Archie David of Meadow street had  
his left leg broken below the knee Friday  
evening by a bale of hay falling upon it.  
His attempt to take down a bale of hay at  
R. A. Sykes & Son's yard on State street  
brought several bales upon him and he  
was fortunate to escape with only a frac-  
tured leg.

## ELECTION OFFICIALS.

Those Who Will Serve at Our First Mu-  
nicipal Election.

The selection this afternoon completed  
the list of officials who will serve at North  
Adams' first municipal election. It is as  
follows:

WARD 1.  
Warden, Arthur N. Smith; clerk, James  
Maber; inspectors, Robert McKendrick,  
Henry A. Tower, Michael Fallon, Jr.,  
Owen Haggerty; deputy warden, Robert  
H. Kearney; deputy clerk, T. C. O'Connor;  
deputy inspectors, Edgar Darling, Julius  
E. Bates, George Campbell, Michael  
O'Brien.

WARD 2.  
Warden, Gilbert L. Jewett; clerk,  
William P. Meade; deputy warden, Henry  
Robinson; deputy clerk, John Drackley;  
inspectors, John T. Collins, Patrick H.  
Smith, Ernest P. Faulkner, Charles J.  
Snyder; deputy inspectors, L. L. Scott,  
Charles A. Pike, John Murphy, Frank  
Dougherty.

WARD 3.  
Warden, Charles T. Ralston; clerk, W.  
H. Woodhead; inspectors, John P. Sull-  
van, John J. Little, Fred W. Reed, Nelson  
Caron; deputy warden, Charles F. Bar-  
den; deputy clerk, Eugene Frunberg;  
deputy inspectors, James Sullivan, Fred  
C. Mcerworth, Charles W. Ford, Frank  
Babeock.

WARD 4.  
Warden, John F. Bowes; clerk, George  
Blanchard; inspectors, Austin Bond, Er-  
nest Stockwell, David O. Ploffe, R. Wal-  
ter Illingworth; deputy warden, John  
Larkin; deputy clerk, Albert G. Nichols;  
deputy inspectors, James Larkin, Wm. H.  
Broderick, Ed Belanger, Joseph Farrow.

WARD 5.  
Warden, George French; clerk, Wm. E.  
Loneragan; inspectors, J. W. Hardenburg,  
Frank E. Curtis, Frank H. Goodrich, A.  
A. Reynolds; deputy warden, Charles L.  
Frink; deputy clerk, Charles N. Benedict;  
deputy inspectors, Charles L. Vadner,  
Frank B. Walker, Clarence W. Gallup,  
P. J. Ashe.

WARD 6.  
Warden, John E. Magenien; clerk, Wil-  
liam H. Bennett; inspectors, Charles T.  
Moore, Herbert R. Bateman, Patrick H.  
Gunning, James R. Mol